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STATE ADVISORY COUNCIL ON EMS

Osage Beach, MO

August 9, 2005

Members Present

John Jermyn, D.O., Chair
Lynthia Andrews, DO
Wally Patrick, RN
Judith Landvatter, RN
Ruby Mehrer, RN
Doug Randall, EMT-P
Randall Salmons, EMT-P
David Tan, MD
Vicki Groce, EMT-P
Joan Eberhardt, RN
Mark Alexander

Members Absent

Roger Huckfeldt, MD
Natalie Suttmoller, RN
Bernard Orman

Guests who signed in

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Bob Grayhek, RN, St. Francis Medical Center, Cape Girardeau
Marc Kaufman, CEO, METS, Joplin
Carol Nierling, RN, TPM, University MO Hospital and Clinics
Tony Mitchell, RN, TPM, St. John's, Joplin
Tim Pickering, AirEvac, Director Leg. Affairs
Wayne Sanders, EMS Officer, West County EMS & Fire
Jason White, MAST
Ken Koch, SCCAD
Bob Patterson, Director, St. John's EMS
Bonnie Linhardt, Advocacy Director, AHA
Kent Cantrel, Excelsior Springs Fire Dept.
Marc Kaufman, METS
Nathan Williams, Columbia
Douglas Hooten, MAST
Candy McClain, RN, Trauma Registry, Liberty Hospital
Jan Shinkle, RN, TNC, Liberty Hospital
David W. Tetrault, St. Francois County Ambulance District
Charles Andrus, MD, Medical Director, Trauma Services, SSM DePaul HC

DHSS STAFF PRESENT

Lorie Holtmeier, RN, Trauma/EMS Coordinator, Unit of EMS
Wanda Roling, RN, Adm. Bureau of Health Care Oversight
Greg Natsch, EMT-P, Training Coordinator, Unit of EMS
Paula Kempf, RN, Manager, Unit of EMS

Call to Order

Dr. Jermyn called the meeting to order at 3:10 p.m.

Approval of Minutes

Council approved minutes for April and June.

Reports of Subcommittees:

Ambulance Service/Legislative/Specialty Care Transport

Jason White brought a copy of draft proposed revisions to Missouri Revised Statutes, Chapter 537, Torts and Actions for Damages Section 537.035. Peer review committees—composition, purpose—immunity from civil liability, who, when—disclosure of records prohibited, exceptions—testimony before, discovery and admissibility, limitations. The draft proposal would add protections for EMS QI process and improve the legal protections of QI records, just as hospitals and physicians now have. Jason provided copies of the proposed legislation with his contact information to the SAC and asked to have feedback by Sept 15th. Jason also gave Paula Kempf, EMS, Manager, a copy and she said she will forward to the DHSS legal department for review.

Mark Alexander reported that a hearing to address Medicaid transportation issues will be held at the Capital on December 14, 2005 and we need people to attend.

Air Ambulance

Ruby Mehrer reported that the Air Ambulance subcommittee met last month. They discussed how to enhance the programs. Safety issues were discussed and issues that people look at on the national level. An example is does the use of night vision goggles help? The jury is still out and it is a very complicated issue. Everyone wants to be safe. She also said a template had been completed for the physician to sign as to why it was necessary to transport a patient.

Pediatric

Judy Landvatter reported that the EMSC Peds subcommittee met today and copies of the EMSC Partnership for Children, National Association of EMS Physicians, Model Pediatric Protocols 2003 Revision was provided to the SAC members and visitors. Judy asked that everyone review the protocols and equipment list and decide what protocols and equipment would be good for Missouri. Dr. Jermyn will take copies to MOCEP. Judy also shared the performance measures for the EMSC grant and one of the measures is to establish pediatric protocols.

EMS Regions

STL Region

Joan Eberhardt reported the STL Region will meet August 26 at 1:30 p.m. Working on strategic plan. EPTS system and looking at having a meeting with Kansas City and St. Louis about emergency system tracking and also tie in with the EM system. A meeting will be held on August 22 in STL for a follow up to the SNS exercise that was held in June.

Northwest Region

Vicki Groce reported that the committee met on August 3 and reviewed education-PHTLS Inst. Course. In October the NW Region will have a Medical Directors dinner and will bring in

legislators, Paula Kempf, and Dr. Jernym. A powerpoint presentation about Trauma and EMS issues will be given to the group. Plans for a NW day at the Capital is also in progress. MAA & MEMSA , 2006, ICE/Springbreak, conference is scheduled for April 17 & 18 at the Lodge of Four Seasons, Lake Ozarks. The conference will include a Medical Director Workshop, featuring Steve Berry, BA, NREMT-P. You are invited to join the Medical Director Pre-conference, IC workshop, Instructor, Clinical, Management CEU's.

Central Region

Carol Nierling reported that the Central Region will meet in August. She has been working with Paula Kempf to have Central Region applicants officially appointed to the committee. The applicants include LaRee Lager, Nodaway Co. Ambulance Dist., Mark Hill, Cameron Ambulance District, Rose Parton, DeKalb Clinton Ambulance District, Carol Johnson, RN, Heartland Regional Medical Center. Paula Kempf agreed to submit the applicants' information for appointment to the Director for review.

Kansa City Region (A)

Ruby Mehrer reported that the committee is looking at five main issues. Ruby attended the NW meeting last week and also will meet with legislators. The next meeting will be in September.

South West Region

No report

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No report

9-1-1 Task Force

No report

Trauma Committee

The committee met in June and Dr. Huckfeldt presented a power point presentation on Trauma/EMS issues. The committee will be today after the SAC.

Education Committee

Doug Randall reported that the committee met in May and is working on how to provide educational information to the people in rural areas. Letter of commitment to ICE and MEMSA. What are the issues for EMT's? Examples might include EMT practical examine that will change to electronic in 2007 or PPE training. Gregg Natsch is communicating with Joe Boland who is working to find funding to provide training. Greg Natsch reports that MHA is providing training for EMS hospital based services. Joe Boland is checking with SEMA for funding for the other EMS services. Greg Natsch will keep the committee updated regarding Joe Boland's findings.

Old Business-

Will we address DNR legislation next year? Don Crosby will work on the issue. Paula Kempf said we have a copy of the old orange DNR form and will be glad to make copies for anyone

who would like one. The Unit of EMS does not provide the orange forms but you may choose to make your own.

Dr. Jermyn asked what does SAC want to do with the leveling criteria? After much discussion between the members and guests. A motion was made to ask each of the six EMS Region's medical directors to collect information and comments on the Trauma Leveling criteria for patient classification system. The motion passed with all I's and no na's. Lorie Holtmeir agreed to send the information out to everyone again for review.

New Business

The EMSC funding has been approved and a \$100 Million instead of the original \$118 million has been approved for the Public Health Block Grant.

Vicki Groce shared information and provided flyers about the MAA&ICE Spring conference. Plans are to have the SAC at the same time.

A motion was made and passed to have the next SAC meeting in Jefferson City at the Truman Building on October 25, 2005.